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J. P. Brezin, et al : Group Art No.: 2172
Serial No. 09/282,860 : Examiner: J. Fluherantin
Filed: March 31, 1999 : for IBM Corporation
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Title: OPTIMIZATION OF SYSTEM 3173 Cedar Road
PERFORMANCE BASED ON Yorktown Heights, NY 10598
COMMUNICATION RELATIONSHIP

AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office
Action dated July 30, 2002 for the above-identified patent
application. In response to the Office Action, Applicants submit
the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the Listing of
Claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments which begin on page 11.

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